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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Primary Source Verification

This letter confirms that our website www.bmp.state.mn.us is a primary source for verification of license credentials consistent with the Joint Commission and National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) standards. We can confirm the following:

- The website is the official state professional licensing board website.
- The Health Professional Finder receives its information directly from our office. The Professional Profile is provided directly from our office.
- The information on our website includes practitioner's name, license number, issue date, expiration date, status and any board actions. In addition, the Professional Profile for physicians and physician assistants provides board action documents.
- The information on our website is updated daily by our staff.
- If there is a discrepancy between the information provided by the applicant and that on our website, you can contact our office directly either by phone, fax, written correspondence or email.
- Our office can be contacted to obtain a copy of any official board action documentation.
- The Minnesota license verification data contained on the AIM website <u>www.docfinder.org</u> is maintained directly by our Board and is updated on a daily basis. It is the exact information that you would find at Health Professional Finder on our website <u>www.bmp.state.mn.us</u>.
- The Minnesota Board of Medical Practice does primary source verification of medical schools (or reasonable alternative for foreign graduates) and graduate medical training (completed as of date of application for licensure) prior to licensing physician applicants. This has been the practice of the Board at least since the mid 1970's.

The Joint Commission and NCQA do not endorse or acknowledge specific entities as acceptable sources for licensure verifications.